

Science *Matters*

A speakers program exploring challenging science issues at the forefront of public concern

FRACKING:

ENERGY SOLUTION OR ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEM?

June 8, 2013

1:00 – 2:30 p.m.

In the Donald P. Loker Conference Center

Hydraulic fracturing or “fracking” has been used as an effective technique for tapping gas or oil reserves, which have been typically considered costly to extract. However this activity involving the injection of massive amounts of water mixed with chemicals may result in groundwater contamination and air pollution. How does “fracking” work and what are its potential impacts on our communities? Do the economic benefits of this practice outweigh its health and environmental risks?

A panel of experts will discuss the science, social, and policy aspects of this current issue at the forefront of public concern. Distinguished panelists include:

Conan Nolan—moderator

NBC4 reporter

Fred Aminzadeh, Ph.D.

Professor of Petroleum and Electrical Engineering and Managing Director, USC Global Energy Network

Kassie Siegel

Director, Climate Law Institute, Center for Biological Diversity

Dave C. Quast

Senior Vice President, FTI Consulting

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